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Analysis Report prepared for

## Quest Air

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**Job Name: 76 Federal City Road  
Ewing, NJ  
Date Sampled: 05-30-2017  
Date Analyzed: 05-31-2017  
Report Date: 05-31-2017**

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EPA Laboratory ID# VA01419



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AIHA EMPAT Lab ID# 188863



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HMC #17014554

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May 31, 2017

Client Job Number:  
Client Job Name: 76 Federal City Road  
Ewing, NJ

Dear Quest Air,

We would like to thank you for trusting Hayes Microbial for your analytical needs. On May 31, 2017 we received 3 samples by FedEx for the job referenced above. 3 samples were received in good condition.

The results in this analysis pertain only to this job, collected on the stated date and should not be used in the interpretation of any other job. This report may not be duplicated, except in full, without the written consent of Hayes Microbial Consulting, LLC.

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Spore Trap Analysis  
SOP #HMC101

HMC #17014554

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|-------------|--|---|---|
| Job Number: | Collected by: <b>Kelly Ambrose</b><br>Email: <b>questairmold@yahoo.com</b> | Job Name: <b>76 Federal City Road</b><br><b>Ewing, NJ</b> | Date Collected: <b>05/30/2017</b><br>Date Received: <b>05/31/2017</b><br>Date Reported: <b>05/31/2017</b> |
|-------------|--|---|---|

| HMC ID Number   | 17014554 - 1 | 17014554 - 2 |  |  |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--|--|
| Sample ID#      | 24036600     | 24036595     |  |  |
| Sample Name     | Baseline     | Basement     |  |  |
| Sample Volume   | 75 liters    | 75 liters    |  |  |
| Reporting Limit | 13 spores/M3 | 13 spores/M3 |  |  |
| Background      | 2            | 3            |  |  |
| Fragments       | ND           | 1707/M3      |  |  |
| Fibers          | ND           | 40 /M3       |  |  |
| Dander          | 40 /M3       | 533 /M3      |  |  |
| Pollen          | 27 /M3       | ND           |  |  |

| Organism                | Raw Count | Count / M3 | % of Total | Raw Count | Count / M3 | % of Total |  |  |
|-------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--|--|
| Alternaria              |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Ascospores              | 8         | 107        | 3.5%       |           |            |            |  |  |
| Aspergillus Penicillium |           |            |            | > 5600    | > 74667    | 50.0%      |  |  |
| Basidiospores           | 13        | 173        | 5.6%       |           |            |            |  |  |
| Bipolaris Drechslera    |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Chaetomium              |           |            |            | 1         | 13         | < 1%       |  |  |
| Cladosporium            | 210       | 2800       | 90.9%      | 4         | 53         | < 1%       |  |  |
| Curvularia              |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Epicoccum               |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Fusarium                |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Memnoniella             |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Myxomycetes             |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Pithomyces              |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Stachybotrys            |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Stemphylium             |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Torula                  |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Trichoderma             |           |            |            | > 5600    | > 74667    | 50.0%      |  |  |
| Ulocladium              |           |            |            |           |            |            |  |  |
| Total                   | 231       | 3080       |            | > 11205   | > 149400   |            |  |  |

Water Damage Indicator    Common Allergen    Slightly Higher than Outside Air    Significantly Higher than Outside Air    Ratio Abnormality

Signature: P. Ramesh

Date: 05/31/2017

Reviewed by: Stephen A. Hayes

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Direct ID Analysis  
SOP #HMC102

**HMC #17014554**

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
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| Collected by: <b>Kelly Ambrose</b>   | <b>Ewing, NJ</b>                      | Date Received: <b>05/31/2017</b>  |
| Email: <b>questairmold@yahoo.com</b> |                                       | Date Reported: <b>05/31/2017</b>  |

|                                    |                       |                                      |                    |                |                                     |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>HMC ID Number: 17014554 - 3</b> |                       | <b>Sample Media: Swab</b>            |                    |                | <b>Reporting Limit: 1 spore/cm2</b> |
| <b>Sample ID Number: Swab</b>      |                       | <b>Sample Name: Basement Framing</b> |                    |                |                                     |
| <b>Organism</b>                    | <b>Spore Estimate</b> | <b>Mycelial Estimate</b>             | <b>Spore Count</b> | <b>% Total</b> | <b>Note</b>                         |
| Trichoderma                        | Very Heavy            | Few                                  | 110000 /cm2        | > 99%          |                                     |
|                                    |                       |                                      |                    |                |                                     |
|                                    |                       |                                      |                    |                |                                     |
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## Spore Trap Information

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| <b>Reporting Limit</b>                       | The Reporting Limit is the lowest number of spores that can be detected based on the total volume of the sample collected and the percentage of the slide that is counted. At Hayes Microbial, 100% of the slide is read so the LOD is based solely on the total volume. Raw spore counts that exceed 500 spores will be estimated.  |
| <b>Blanks</b>                                | Results have not been corrected for field or laboratory blanks.  |
| <b>Background</b>                            | <p>The Background is the amount of debris that is present in the sample. This debris consists of skin cells, dirt, dust, pollen, drywall dust and other organic and non-organic matter. As the background density increases, the likelihood of spores, especially small spores such as those of Aspergillus and Penicillium may be obscured. The background is rated on a scale of 1 to 4 and each level is determined as follows:</p> <p><b>ND</b> : No background detected. (Pump or cassette malfunction.) Recollect sample.<br/> <b>1</b> : &lt;5% of field occluded. No spores will be uncountable.<br/> <b>2</b> : 5-25% of field occluded.<br/> <b>3</b> : 25-75% of field occluded.<br/> <b>4</b> : 75-90% of field occluded.<br/> <b>5</b> : &gt;90% of field occluded. Suggest recollection of sample.</p>   |
| <b>Fragments</b>                             | Fragments are small pieces of fungal mycelium or spores. They are not identifiable as to type and when present in very large numbers, may indicate the presence of mold amplification.   |
| <b>Indoor/Outdoor Comparisons</b>            | There are no national standards for the numbers of fungal spores that may be present in the indoor environment. As a general rule and guideline that is widely accepted in the indoor air quality field, the numbers and types of spores that are present in the indoor environment should not exceed those that are present outdoors at any given time. There will always be some mold spores present in "normal" indoor environments. The purpose of sampling and counting spores is to help determine whether an abnormal condition exists within the indoor environment and if it does, to help pinpoint the area of contamination. Spore counts should not be used as the sole determining factor of mold contamination. There are many factors that can cause anomalies in the comparison of indoor and outdoor samples due to the dynamic nature of both of those environments. |
| <b>Water Damage Indicators</b>               | These molds are commonly seen in conditions of prolonged water intrusion and usually indicate a problem.   |
| <b>Common Allergens</b>                      | Although all molds are potential allergens, these are the most common allergens that may be found indoors.   |
| <b>Slightly Higher than Outside Air</b>      | The spore count is slightly higher than the outside count and may or may not indicate a source of contamination.   |
| <b>Significantly Higher than Outside Air</b> | The spore count is significantly higher than the outdoor count and probably indicates a source of contamination.   |
| <b>Ratio Abnormality</b>                     | The types of spores found indoors should be similar to the ones that were identified in the outdoor sample. Significant increases (more than 25%) in the ratio of a particular spore type may indicate the presence of abnormal levels of mold, even if the total number of spores of that type is lower in the indoor environment than it was outdoors.   |
| <b>Color Note</b>                            | Fungi that are present in indoor samples at levels lower than 200 per cubic meter are not color coded on the report, unless they are one of the water damage indicators.   |



### Additional Information for Direct Identification Analysis

| Spore Estimate |                         | Percentages |
|----------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| ND             | None Detected           | 0%          |
| Rare           | Less than 10 spores     | < 1%        |
| Light          | 10 - 99 spores          | 1-10%       |
| Moderate       | 100 - 999 spores        | 11-25%      |
| Heavy          | 1000 - 9999 spores      | 26-50%      |
| Very Heavy     | 10000 or greater spores | 51-100%     |

| Mycelial Estimate |                               |                                   |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ND                | None Detected                 | No active growth at site          |
| Trace             | Very small amount of Mycelium | Probably no active growth at site |
| Few               | Some Mycelium                 | Possible active growth at site    |
| Many              | Large amount of Mycelium      | Probable active growth at site    |



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#### Ascospores

**Habitat:** A large group consisting of more than 3000 species of fungi. Common plant pathogens and outdoor numbers become very high following rain. Most of the genera are indistinguishable by spore trap analysis and are combined on the report.

**Health Effects:** Health affects are poorly studied, but many are likely to be allergenic.

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#### Aspergillus|Penicillium

**Habitat:** The most common fungi isolated from the environment. Very common in soil and on decaying plant material. Are able to grow well indoors on a wide variety of substrates.

**Health Effects:** This group contains common allergens and many can cause hypersensitivity pneumonitis. They may cause extrinsic asthma, and many are opportunistic pathogens. Many species produce mycotoxins which may be associated with disease in humans and other animals. Toxin production is dependent on the species, the food source, competition with other organisms, and other environmental conditions.

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#### Basidiospores

**Habitat:** A common group of Fungi that includes the mushrooms and bracket fungi. They are saprophytes and plant pathogens. In wet conditions they can cause structural damage to buildings.

**Health Effects:** Common allergens and are also associated with hypersensitivity pneumonitis.

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#### Chaetomium

**Habitat:** Ascomycete fungus, commonly isolated from soil and decaying plant materials. It is cellulolytic and grows well indoors on damp sheetrock and other paper substrates. It is often found growing with *Stachybotrys*.

**Health Effects:** It is reported to be allergenic and may produce toxins.

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#### Cladosporium

**Habitat:** One of the most common genera worldwide. Found in soil and plant debris and on the leaf surfaces of living plants. The outdoor numbers are lower in the winter and often relatively high in the summer, especially in high humidity. The outdoor numbers often spike in the late afternoon and evening. Indoors, it can be found growing on textiles, wood, sheetrock, moist window sills and in HVAC supply ducts.

**Health Effects:** A common allergen, producing more than 10 allergenic antigens and a common cause of hypersensitivity pneumonitis.

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#### Trichoderma

**Habitat:** Commonly found outdoors in soil and decaying plant material. Grows well indoors on wood and paper products.

**Health Effects:** Reported to be allergenic and some species may produce trichothecene toxin.

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